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For: **WATER SOFTENING DEVICE**

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This is a petition to extend the time for filing a response to the Office

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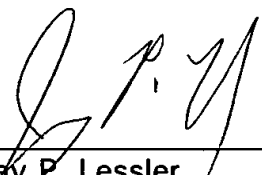
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